

MV QUESTION OF THE WEEK #8

Question: My questions pertain to taxpayers canceling their plates. When a taxpayer cancels their plates on line:

- (a) Do the plates have to be returned to DMV?
- (b) If so, where does the taxpayer return the plates? Which DMV office? Can they be mailed? What is the mailing address?
- (c) Is there a penalty to the taxpayer if they do not return the plates to DMV?

Answer: Please see the answers below from Gayle Murphy, DMV:

- (a) Yes, the Agency is recommending that the plates be returned to DMV.
- (b) There are bins at all branch offices to drop your cancelled plates in without waiting in line; or you may mail the cancelled plates back to DMV, 60 State Street, Wethersfield, CT 06161, RE: MARKER ROOM.
- (c) I am not aware nor heard that there is a penalty for NOT returning cancelled plates. I have heard that plates are identified in statute as property of the state; therefore, they need to be returned to the state.

Note from the DMV Committee: Please remind the taxpayer to go online to cancel their plates and print a Return Plate Receipt to give to their Town Assessor prior to dropping them in a bin at DMV or mailing them to Wethersfield. For further information, you may visit the CT DMV web site.

Here is the link: <http://www.ct.gov/dmv/cwp/view.asp?a=810&q=245050>